GIRL ACCUSED OF MURDER TRIED TO HELP FAMILY.

Mother of Fleda Pendleton Says Her Wrong-Had Not Heard of Her for Months.

Breaking the silence with which morning at 1 o'clock. she has answered newspaper inquiton, of Durham, N. C., Saturday threw a flood of light on obscure spots in the girl's life story, talked freely of the family and its history

tion during her painful recital, but coat front. and two little girls, Ruth and Mar- their mother's room and she did not from the president that he was degaret Pendleton, gazed in awed si- awaken until the fight had ended. termined to try every peaceful means lence at the spectacle of their mother in tears.

Fleda was always a good, obedient under the influence of Clement in aged mother is prostrated. Spartanburg. She attended Sunday school regularly and scrupulously respected her mother's wishes. Mrs. Pendleton said that Fleda and Clement knew each other when they were children together in Polk county, but her parents would not permit her to spend much time in his company because, according to Mrs. Pendleton, he was given to rough ways. Miss Pendleton was mindful of parental advice then, and it was because she could not come to her mother for counsel in Spartanburg, the latter said she believed, that Fleda yielded to temptation.

The girl left home to eke out the scanty family income, which had been reduced by business reverses and physical afflictions of her father, J. H. Pend.ston. He was at one time a well-to-do merchant, but his health gave way, and with it went his money. His eyesight became affected, he could no longer stand confinement, because of his impaired health and he took to farming. He was planning when Fleda last heard of him to accept a position as travelling salesman for a shoe house, but failing eyesight forced him to abandon this plan. At present he is living in Mooresville, N. C., and is engaged in tobacco farming.

It was due to the father's poor health that Mrs. Pendleton agreed to world to work. What money Fleda could make was needed to help support the younger children. Mrs. Pendleton said it was not true, as reduced the facing the direction in which the car was going and the ton ported, that Fleda was driven from home because she accepted Clement's attendance; at that time she would have nothing to do with him.

While the family were living in Polk County Thomas Pendleton, the elder brother, decided to go to Spartanburg to study telegraphy. He pergoing to Atlanta, Ga., to work. She ries. made several visits back home, and while on one of these visits received an offer from the Spartanburg school for her services as a teacher. This offer was accepted, and when she returned to the school she again came in contact with Clyde C. Clement, then a student in the preparatory department of Wofford College.

until she was informed of the girl's naval committee, of which he is chair- ton government of the necessity of trouble.

Opens Fatal Machine.

F. W. Mennerich of Sullivan, Ill., was killed Sunday in attempting to open an infernal machine. He sus-

Beachey Drops 1,200 Feet. While "looping-the-loop" at a height of 1,600 feet at Santa Barbara, Cal., Lincoln Beachey lost control of his machine. He righted it confessed to sending "Black Hand" himself from certain death.

South Carolina Reunion.

Because of dates previously determined upon conflict with the dates of the veteran's reunion in Jacksonville. the State reunion of Confederate Vet- come by heat when fire destroyed erans to be held in Anderson will be three cotages of Shreveport, La., held May 27 and 28.

"Black Hand" is Fined. Five years in prison and a fine of \$1,000 was the sentence of Salvatore Serianna, who in Chicago, wrote House pleading that the government "black hand" letters to and wrecked pass the farmers bill, appropriating with a bomb the grocery of Leonardo \$19,000,000 for their benefit. Melone.

Latta Man Loses Eye.

suspended bell. The bullet, clanging Ky., were burned to death Thursday the clapper, striking the side of the night in a fire which destroyed their bell, rebounded and struck him in home. the eye, putting it out.

Policeman Kills Man.

W. B. Brooks, a Savannah policeman, Saturday killed Charles Bar- day reported to the rules committee result. bour of that city. He claims that the of the Senate. dead man invaded his home.

Man Wounded and Robbed. shot him and then rifled his pockets.* frage.

TWO BROTHERS AT PELZER EN JOIN IN DEADLY BATTLE.

Mother Awakened by Pistol Shot Sees One Son Standing Over the Prostrate Form of Her Other Boy.

With their aged mother tranquilly sleeping within five feet of them, Wil-Child Was a Good Girl Before She liam and Richard Bridgman, brothers of Pelzer, engaged in a drunkel quar-Was Influenced by Clement to Do rel Sunday, which resulted in Rich ard, the younger brother, being shot to death, and William Bridgman befearfully gashed about the neck and face. The tragedy occurred Sunday

The brothers had been drinking tories since tragedy stalked into her gether and after arriving at their quiet home a month ago in the form home became engaged in a quarrel, of a message telling her that her Richard stabbing Will with a knife missing nineteen-year-old daughter, in the face and neck. Will drew his Laura Fleda Pendleton, was a pris- pistol and fired, the bullet taking efoner in a South Carolina jail, charg- fect in the right side, just below the ed with murder, Mrs. J. H. Pendle- arm. The killing was witnessed by the mother of the men and a third ze's denial of the right of the United brother.

The mother of the men did not awake until the pistol shot was fired. and told of Fleda's early association The sight to greet her sleepy stare with Clyde Caldwell Clement, co-de was that of the almost lifeless form but at the same time pointedly refendant and alleged father of her of her son, Richard, lying upon the ferred to the size and power of a floor, and her other son standing over him with a smoking pistol in hand ing sufficient warrant for a calm and strove heroically to control her emo- and blood coursing freely down his Patient course while compliance with

The men had noiselessly entered William Brigdman was carried to An- at his disposal to solve the Mexican derson Sunday morning and placed problem, but that he realized certain in jail. He was fearfully cut by his eventualities might mean a drastic girl, the mother said, until she came brother before he fired upon him. The

AUTO TURNS TURTLE.

Charleston Man Meets Death and

Others Are Injured. Samuel M. Lockwood, employed as a mechanic at the Charleston navy yard, was killed outright Sunday and will become involved. Should England seven others, all relatives, were more or less injured when an automobile case await final adjudication at a in which the party was returning time when a firm government is eshome from a pleasure ride in the tablished in Mexico the United States suburbs, skidded and turned over on

its side. father of the young man, and who was at the wheel of the machine at death. the time, said that the cause of the accident was the result of the car in not communicating with Gen Carskidding, and thn turning over on its ranza they have offended his personal side. Capt. Lockwood said that he dignity, and they hope to overcome was engaged in a mutual race with a this by consulting him now, impresslatter was leading and he was at- incidentally that the American govtempting to catch up at the time. As he was rounding the curve at a rapid ties ought to stand in the way of obrate of speed he says the machine skidded. The car was closed, all the curtains being down at the time be-

cause of the cold weather. As the car skidded it is reported the machine threw the occupants Spanish ampassador. Both Spain and of that institution.

facing the opposite way. Others in the car were: Capt. Robert H. Lockwood, wrenched back; Robert H. Lockwood Jr., sprained arm and shoulder and internal injuries; Mrs. Robert H. Lockwood Jr., sprained arm and internal injuries; had desired the United States to look Mrs. Samuel M. Lockwood, minor insnaded Fleda to accompany him, and juries and shock; Miss Effie Ladd, both entered the Spartanburg School minor injuries and shock; Miss Luof Telegraphy. She soon mastered cile Ladd, injuries about the head; the Morse code and left the school, Miss Sally Lockwood, internal inju-

BACK ON THE JOB.

Friend Delighted at Senator Tillman's

Apparent Health.

Senator Tillman returned to Washington Friday and occupied his seat Soon after the old acquaintance in the Senate. He looks as well as was reopened, Mrs. Pendleton said, he has at any time within the past about the welfare of the Spanish subshe ceased to hear from her daughter. three years and his appearance was She telegraphed to the principal of commented upon with gratification the Spartainburg school relative to by his friends. Mrs. Tillman also re-Fleda's whereabouts and was told turned with the Senator, and said first specific refusal in regard to indition for half an hour, or more. Upthat the young woman could not be that she had been greatly benefited terest of the American government in on coming to his senses he was able found in Spartanburg, but was re- by her rest in a sanitarium at Atlanta ported to be in Atlanta. Mrs. Pen- after the fatigue she had suffered as try. dleton said that the last letter she the result of her constant vigil at the received from her daughter was some | Senator's bedside during his attack of time in August of last year. After erysipelas. Senator Tillman plunged has cleared up all doubt as to who is losing trace of her in Spartanburg with characteristic zest into his corthe mother never heard of Fleda respondence and the work of the ment and has relieved the Washingman.

Train Kills Farmer. Frank Wyatt, sixty-three years old, a farmer of Kingston, Ga., was run over Tuesday and killed by a train pected its mission but thought his just as he finished walking over a knowledge as expert repairman trestle. The train crew thought he

upon him.

Farmer Fired His Own Barns. Leslie A. Riggs, a farmer of Alton, N. Y., believed to be unbalanced, has 400 feet from the ground, saving letters to himself, putting poison in his hog's feed and firing his own

barns, which were burned recently.

Flames Claim Three Lives.

Three children were burned to death, two seriously and a man over-Monday.

Asks Government to be Liberal. Congressman Lever Tuesday made a vigorous speech in the national

Three Burn to Death. Mrs. Mary Kinslow, her mother, Arch McQueen of Latta shot at a and two-year-old child, of Glasgow, passenger.

> Tillman Against Smoking in Senate. Senator Tillman's resolution to pre- Monday lost her balance and fell into vent smoking in the Senate was Tues- the fire, being burnt fatally as the

Vote Against Woman Suffrage. Senators Tillman and Smith Mon- ers, were killed Sunday at Lyons, At Charleston Monday Rufus Jones day cast their votes against a Senate France, as they were making an exwas held up by an unknown man, who resolution to consider woman suf-perimental flight in an all-metal mon-

TALKS OF DAUGHTER FIGHT AS MOTHER SLEEPS TO TRY WAR LAST

WILSON WILL SHED BLOOD ONLY AS A LAST RESORT.

President Reveals Nation's Policy in Regards to Dark Cloud in Southern Skies-Our Action Depends Largely on Attitude of Great Brit-

ain Towards Murder of Benton. President Wilson revealed to those who discussed Mexican affairs with him Monday that he fully realized the gravity of the situation in the killing of William S. Benton, a Brit-American citizens, and Gen. Carran-States to look after the interests of

foreigners generally in Mexico.

The president spoke deploringly of

the possibility of armed intervention, country like the United States as besought. Callers got the impression course. He spoke with a firmness that showed his determination not to be stampeded into action by radical speeches in Congress, but with a hint that when the necessity arose, the American government could be expected to move decisively and effec-

tively. Upon Great Britain's attitude in the Benton case depends largely the eextent to which the United States show an inclination to let the Benton will not feel called upon to challenge Gen. Carranza's specific refusal to Capt. Robert H. Lockwood, the supply the Washington administration with information about Benton's

Administration officials realize that young man driving a roadster. The ing upon the Constitutionalist chief ernment does not think that formalitaining protection for foreigners.

Gen. Carranza's declaration that foreign governments should address him about the welfare af their subjects led to a visit to Secretary Bryan that its front wheels jumped, and by Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British that the sudden jar caused the car to ambassador, and Senor Riano, the tilt over. The violent stopping of Spanish ambassador. Both Spain and which the car was going and the top be continued, and it is clearly established that Carranza's manoeuvre will not lead the British Government into any recognition or other dealings

with him. President Wilson explained to callers that many foreign governments after their subjects, but, of course, had no right to demand it and were not demanding it. Strictly speaking Carranza might insist on his right not to deal with one government in the interests of another, but such a situation undoubtedly would produce grave complications with the United States government, upon whom the look as the dominant factor in Pan-

American diplomancy. Carranza once before has suggested States, should address him directly were given that all foreigners would

Gen. Carranza's superior authority was preparing to step out. al matters will be taken up with him. He also will be called to account for

all harm to foreigners.

Find Him all Shot Up. William Lobarger died in Manwould enable him to open it safely. was aware that a train was close ningsport, La., and an examination iar, N. Y., Monday disclosed sixteen bullet holes in the head, which started an investigation by the police.

Mother Suicides With Babe.

"No one will understand why I want to die, forgive me," read a note found on Mrs. Ralph Dinsmore, aged 23, who holding her baby jumped before a passenger train at North Attleboso, Mass., Sunday.

Three Burned to Death.

Mrs. Stella Maries lost her life while trying to save her two young daughters from flames that destroyed their home, near Spokane, Wash., Sunday and it is believed that they

Flagman is Killed. Henry King was accidentally killed by a passenger train near Kline

Saturday. He was flagman on a work train. It is supposed that he went to sleep when he went out to flag the Child is Burned to Death. Playing skip rope indoors because

of the cold, Gertrude Jordan, an eleven-year-old girl of Scottdale, Ga ..

Brothers Fall to Death. Pierre and Gabriel Salvez, brothoplane of their own invention.

BABCOCK WILL RESIGN

SUPERINTENDENT HAS DECIDED TO LEAVE ASYLUM.

Speculation as to Whether Dr. Saunders Will Remain When Her Only Defender Leaves.

Resignation of Dr. J. W. Babcock, superintendent of the State hospital for the Insane at Columbia will probably be given Governor Cole L. Blease within the next few days. This crisis of the fight upon Dr. Babcock was reached Saturday morning when the governor was notified definitely of his determination to immediately step down from the position he has held a quarter of a century.

The one thing preventing Dr. Babcock from presenting the overnor his resignation Saturday morning was the doubt in the mind of Dr. Babcock whether it would be for the best interests of the institution. The superintendent stated that he had determined to sever his connection with the Hospital for the Insane. When this action would be taken depended entirely upon the advice from Governor Blease regarding the time when his position could be filled judiciously.

Long conferences between Dr. Babcock and Senator Mauldin, chairman of the committee which investigated the hospital, and Senator Strait, Senator Young and Representative Hunter, members of that committee, were held in the lobby of the capitol early Saturday. Then it was determined that Governor Blease would be consulted by the committeemen regarding what he, the governor, considered the best time for Dr. Babcock to re-

The members of this former committee called upon Governor Blease, and after a short conference, returned with the advice that Governor Blease would give his decision in this matter certainly before the general assembly adjourned. It was stated that the chief executive would reach this conclusion during the day.

Following the complete exoneration of Dr. Eleanora B. Saunders, a woman, second assistant medical officer at the State Hospital for the Insane, of the personal and professional charges against her, and the strong endorsement of the work of Dr. Babcock as superintendent of that institution, in the report of the committee conducting the inquiry, which was presented the general assembly Wednesday, it was generally reported in ed for the various county conventions. official circles that the resignation of

Dr. Babcock was forthcoming. What will be the action of Dr Saunders is not definitely known, though it is stated on authority none other than Dr. Babcock himself that she too would be forced to resign when he leaves that institution. The superintendent stated that her life there would probably be unbearable, and that her work would probably be generally hampered through the contrary efforts of certain other officials

CASH DRAWER ROBBED.

Ticket Agent at Chester Knocked Unconscious by Strange Men.

The boldest robbery committed in Chester for some years occurred Friday afternoon at the Seaboard Air Line depot, when Mr. A. Pat Wilson, day ticket agent, was knocked down. it is said, by two strange white men, who then rifled the cash drawer of \$261.80 and fled. The robbery was committed just after the departure of a passenger train, after the crowd Powers of the world have learned to had left the station and Mr. Wilson was preparing to cross the street to the freight depot.

One of the men is described by Mr. that Spain, instead of the United Wilson as being about 5 feet, 6 inches in height, and heavy set, while his companion was taller. They are believed to be strangers. Mr. Wilson was knocked unconscious with some be protected. The Benton case is the blunt instrument, and lay in that conthe case of a subject of another coun- to give only a partial description of his assailants, as he was knocked Gen. Villa's acknowledgement of down just as he opened the door, and

Safecrackers got more than \$10. 000 in cash when they bound and Gen. Carranza requests internationledgeville, Ga., and wrecked the strong box with three charges of dy-

> Tramped 50 Miles in Snow. After a 50-mile tramp on snow shoes through the wilds of Newfoundland thirty-three of the crew of the naval tug Potomac, which was aban- another possible wedge calculated to doned in the ice, reached Curling, Newfoundland Friday.

Train Cuts off Both Legs.

living in Charleston, fell in front to forecast with any accuracy. of a moving engine Monday and had body.

Jury Renders Terse Verdict. infested mining town, reported thusly on the death of a miner killed by a relatives and damn few friends."

Twelve Injured in Wreck.

When a Southern Railway train, bound from Jacksonville to Columbia left the track Tuesday at Folkston, Ga., twelve passengers were slightly injured.

Big Warehouse Collapses.

One of the largest warehouses in

Kingstree collapsed under the heavy weight of snow Friday. The structure was a complete wreck.

Cigarettes Cause Suicide. In a note found beside his body. inability to quit the cigarette habit as trolley cars and two by wagons. the cause of his suicide.

Tennesse Feudist Killed.

STORM CLOUD AHEAD

FIGHT TO BE MADE FOR CON-TROL OF STATE CONVENTION.

FACTIONS LAYING PLANS

Political Followers of Senatorship's Candidates Are Lining un Behind Their Man-Each Side is Determined to Control the State Convention

The storm clouds are gathering for Democratic State convention, which a tremendous struggle to control the Wednesday in May. Conservatives and radicals. Bleaseites and anti-Bleaseites, and other of the so-called factions of the Democratic party are laying plane 'o capture the State convention which carries with it the control of the primary election machin-Realizing that the contest for the

United States senatorship will be a titanic struggle, followers of Governor Cole L. Blease have banded administration supporters of both branches of the general assembly into a compact organization and administration measures have received the undivided support of the minority in both houses. A regular organization of the Blease legislators has been maintained and frequent caucuses have taken place to determine the course the administration minority would follow. Resulting from this understanding

the vetoes of Governor Blease in the House have invariably been sustained, except in two minor instances, when the caucus did not bind its members. Several vetoes met death in the House the past week, the solid vote of the Blease minority preventing the necessary two-thirds to overrule the veto. The administration minority in the Senate is not sufficient to sustain a veto. The majority against the governor there is over two-thirds.

Well satisfied with the results of their action in the legislative session now drawing to a close, the Blease followers are planning for the Democratic club meetings, which take place the fourth Saturday night in April. At these meetings the clubs are reorganized and delegates selectwhich meet the first of May, at which time delegates from the various counties are chosen to the State conven-

executive committee elected. The control of the club meetings is the all-important thing; for obviously that will insure control of the mafight and to this end the administration forces are now directing their 1907-1913: efforts. Already the cry has been sent forth to the Bleaseites to organize and control the club meetings.

But while the supporters of Senator E. D. Smith are not talking they are far from being idle. There is enough surface indications to show that Governor Blease is going to face the fight of his career for further political honors. The doctrine of anti-Blease is being spread through the length and breadth of the State and everywhere his opponents are preparing for the club meetings and the county and State conventions. They propose, if possible, to again control the State convention and the election machinery and will go into the fight behind Senator Smith to retrieve the defeat of 1912 and if possible wipe Bleaseism from the political map of motto, as it is evident from surface

indications. Unless signs are misleading, another factor will have to be reckoned with in the fight for the senatorial toga. Former Governor John Gary Evans, it is believed, is considering robbery is no nearer solution than the is fixed arbitrarily by the exchange tremes comprise the nine grades going into the fight, and his friends day it was discovered, when the safe for a period of time. aver that his entrance would drive a wedge between the Blease and Smith forces and make a new faction out of of the company a day or two before divided the different grades of cotportions of both the present ones. They say it will be an Evans faction made up of voters from both the Blease and anti-Blease camps, and to go to Savannah and solve the theft. zero. All of the grades below it, 15 the different grades made to conform that it will be a formidable wedge.

Then it would not surprise political observers to witness still another entrant into this race in the person of Representative W. F. Stevenson of Cheraw. In fact, Mr. Stevenson has told friends in the past few days that he is considering entering the race. He is well known all over the State and is a public speaker well able to hold his own on any stump with any opponent. His hold on the people, his friends point out, is illustrated in his re-election from Chesterfield county last election in the face of the fact that Chesterfield went several hundred majority for Blease. This is split into still smaller factions the Blease and anti-Bleaseites of South Carolina. If the Evans and Stevenson wedges rip open and break up Albert Knitchmeyer, a switchman the two factions the race will be hard

A four-cornered fight between both of his legs severed from his Smith, Blease, Evans and Stevenson would make a race the like of which has never been seen in South Caro-A jury of Trinidad, Col., the strike speakers could not be picked. Each is the veteran of many a rough and seek aid, but who was found exhausttumble debate and when these four ed. fall of a rock: "The deceased had no measure strength on the hustings of is likely that much more than fur will

> With the legislative and public records each has made in public life groes of Laurens, the latter shot and at their sides the senatorial candi- seriously wounded the former Tuesdates are preparing for the attack. day afternoon. The prize, the senatorial toga, is dangling in the distance, and while the people wait the would-be senators are sharpening their forensic weapons and making ready for the titanic struggle due before the coming primaries.

Street Accidents in New York. During February 20 persons met

Murderer Slain in Penitentiary. During a fight between a burglar was killed by Joseph Roe.

KILLED WHILE ON TRIAL

MISSOURI FEUDIST SHOT BY PRINCIPAL WITNESS.

During Court Recess They Meet in Bar Room Where Tragedy Takes

Wesley (Red) Simon, on trial at St. Louis on a charge of murdering Emmett Carroll in a gang feud nearly a year ago, was shot and instantly killed Monday in a nearby saloon during a recess of the court in which he was being tried. Shortly after the killing Henry Zang, principal witness for the prosecution, entered the central police station, saying he had had some trouble with Simon. The sheriff, who had feared an attack would be assembles in Columbia on the third made on Simon, had detailed four special policemen to guard him in the court house. When the shooting oc curred they were standing on a street corner two blocks away.

Zang says that Simon, after making a gesture and threat, moved his hand toward his hip pocket. When Simon's body was examined no revolver was found and his hip pockets were buttoned. The killing of Carroll, for which Simon was placed on trial Monday, occurred in a saloon last March. After the murder Carroll's body was placed in an automobile and left near the home of Mrs. Mary Hagerty, whose daughter discovered the body. Simon, who was arrested, admitted that he shot Car-

roll, but pleaded self-defence. Zang, who is a bartender, was expected by the prosecution to testify that Simon borrowed a revolver from him two hours before the shooting. To the police Zang said Simon came into the Mooney saloon twice while he was drinking and told somebody 'that fellow will never live to testify

against me". John Gross, who was in the saloon when the shooting occurred, said that he and Zang had been there about twenty minutes when Simon entered and invited everybody to have a drink. While the drinks were being served Gross said Zang and Simon stepped behind the partition that separates the bar from the cigar counter and the shooting followed.

MANY PELLAGRA CASES.

Nine Hundred Have Entered the Asylum in Six Years.

During the past six years more than nine hundred cases of pellagra express companies, shall be denied to which such specific grade is being have been received at the State Hos- persons and corporations in making sold, the date of delivery, and such pital for the Insane, according to a tion and the members of the State statement contained in the annual report of J. W. Babcock, M. D., superintendent, which has been sent to the a misdemeanor, punishable by fine or ization. This bill would eliminate general assembly. Spartanburg led imprisonment or both. the State, with 83 cases. Richland jority of the county conventions, and was second with 82 cases. Last year through that the State Convention 165 patients died as a result of the Smith was authorized to write the and the State committee. This is the disease. Following shows the number of cases admitted by counties

Abbeville, 30; Aiken, 25; Anderson, 46; Bamberg, 9; Barnwell, 13; Beaufort, 13; Berkeley, 6; Calhoun, 8; Charleston, 31; Cherokee. 23; Chester, 32; Chesterfield, 10; Clarendon, 13; Colleton, 13; Darlington 22; Dillon, 9; Dorchester, 7; Edgefield, 14; Fairfield, 12; Florence, 25; Georgetown, 15; Greenville, 39; Greenwood, 35; Hampton, 14; Horry, 4; Jasper, 1; Kershaw, 16; Lancaster, 13; Laurens, 21; Lee, 8; Lexington, 11; Marion, 18; Marlboro, 16; Newberry, 14; Oconee, 20; Orangeburg, 22; Pickens, 10; Richland, 82; Spartanburg, 83; Sumter, 26; Union, 17; Williamsburg, 15; York, 33.

ROBBERY UNSOLVED.

the State. Not talk, but work, is the Express Mystery of Last September of the exchanges.

Still Defies Southern Detectives. Although five months have passed since \$71,900 was stolen from a portwas opened. News that the money was missing was telegraphed to officials 1, 1908, the New York exchange had pears that no great losses would be it leaked out on September 10 last. It ton into 30 grades. 'Middling' was if the cotton exchanges were to be was the signal for a small army of the standard of comparison. This limited in their deliveries to the govdetectives, officials and special agents might be regarded as representing ernment standards, and the prices of They worked several days and nights in number, were considered of greater to the spinning values of the differ-

higher officials in New York. Every employe, who had an opportunity to steal the monew was put change, charged by the exchange grades. under surveillance. A suspicious step would have resulted in an arrest, but would meet on a given date and denone has ever been made. Every employe is still working for the company. It is the belief of officials of the low 'middling' for the next three ferred to, the evils complained of will Southern Express company that soon- months. It will be understood that be eliminated. It is the opinion of er or later the thief will make a false during all of the years preceding, the the committee also that the passage step and his arrest will follow. Confi- trade had recognized a difference in of this bill will ultimately force the dence that the mystery will be solved the value of the grades, but as a matexchanges to accept the government

is expressed by them.

Boy Swallows 97 Nickels. By swallowing 97 nickels to his oponents 7, Louis Campani, of Columbia, Ill., won a \$5 wager, which will draws the coin from the "human savings bank."

Woman Perishes in Snow .

Ella Sweny, aged 22, of Hazelton, Pa., was found frozen to death in a be less because there were certain lina, it is believed. Four better stump sleigh Monday. She was out riding mills which regularly bought and uswith a young man who left her to ed the lower grades; others bought

> As a result of a feud between Albert Meredith and Jonah Young, ne-

Laurens Negro Shoots Another.

Burn Much Whiskey.

One thousand barrels of whiskey were destroyed when two distillery warehouses were burned at Canton. Md. Monday, the total loss being

Falls Dead Over Friend's Coffin. Mrs. Lydia Schultz of Akron, O. death in New York in traffic accidents fell dead recently while standing Samuel A. Crane, 21, New York, gave -eight killed by automobiles, 10 by over the coffin of her girlhood friend, * Mrs. Catharine Davis.

> Wind Unroofs Houses. Reaching a velocity of sixty miles

No Substitutes

ETURN to the grocer all substitutes sent you for Royal Baking Powder. There is no substitute for ROYAL. Royal is a pure, cream of tartar baking powder, and healthful. Powders offered as substitutes are made from alum.

MEASURE DESIGNED TO STOP COTTON SPECULATION.

Junior Senator Presents Favorable Report on Anti-Futures Bill-

Would Bar Use of Mails to Traders

Who Disregard Government Standards of Value.

Senator Smith of South Carolina York exchange. Thursday submitted a favorable report of the committee on agriculture first congress an appropriation of of the Senate upon his bill to regu- \$36,650 was made for the establishlate trading in cotton futures and ment of standards for the different provide for the standardization of grades of cotton. This resulted in. 'upland55 and "gulf" cottons sepa- the establishment by the government rately. The bill, which Senator Smith of nine official grades, viz, 'good ordihad drawn and which was introduced nary, 'strict good ordinary,' 'low midin April last, provides that any per- dling, 'strict low middling,' 'midson, corporation, etc., engaged in in- dling, 'strict middling,' 'good midterstate commerce, in making or of- dling, 'strict good middling' and fering for sale any contracts for the 'middling fair.' These grades were future delivery of cotton shall speci- made with reference to the color and fy the grades contracted for in each foreign matter of the cotton."... contract, and that these grades shall The bill which this report accombe according to the government panies, after being carefully reviewstandardization. The effect of this ed by the committee on agriculture measure will be practically to force of the Senate, recommends to conthe exchanges to adopt the govern- gress that the mail, telegraph and all ment standards of cotton.

Senator Smith provides that the in- corporation, association or individual terstate means of communication, such as the mails, telegraph lines and grade being sold and the price at contract which do not conform to the grade or grades as are contracted for first section of the bill, and makes the violation of the terms of the act cording to the government standard-

the committee last summer, Senator ence. favorable report of the committee on ished and so completely prove the ance with honesty and fair dealing. contention of Senator Smith that afly the same and that the main differed in a clear manner the fixed differ- ment, so as to ascertain the real, comence system, and shows this to be the mercial, intrinsic values of the differbasis of the objectionable operations ent grades.

"This means," the report continues, ences, "that the price of the different | The result of this investigation regrades, as compared with some grade | veals the fact that the difference beable safe in transit from New York to taken as a standard or comparison Savannah, the mysterious express and universally known as 'middling', nary" to "middling fair", which ex-

> in number, were considered of great- cial tests above referred to. In this er value. The committee of the ex- bill they are limited to the specific with the duty of fixing difference, termine what would be the relative to the findings of the department of prices of all the grades above and be- agriculture and the tests above reter of course this difference was standardization and to acknowledge largely dependent upon the supply of that the fictitious differences as they

the different grades. "They were never uniform in their the several grades are unwarranted volume-one season might be open and unreal. and another might be cloudy and probably go to the doctor who with- damp. During the open season there would be naturally a greater supply of the more desirable or higher Cornell College, near Mount Vernon, The difference between them would Howard Manning died Sunday. and used the higher grades. When, freight, James J. Mullen, of Watertherefore, the supply of either one of town, N. Y., while crossing the S. A. these two divisions was excessive, the law of supply and demand was sup- was struck and instantly killed. posed to reflect this, but under the fixed difference on the exchange it did not. The result was that there was attracted to New York a considerable amount of low grade cotton which was stored and used as stock for delivery in settlement of out-

standing contracts. "A section in the New York cotton exchange contract provided that the seller of a contract for delivery should sell basis middling but the started for Washington from San seller had the privilege of lelivering Francisco, Cal., Friday to petition to in settlement of this contract any Congress for work. grade or grades admissible under the terms of the New York cotton ev-

change at his pleasure. "This resulted in an absolute demore lization of the trade, the news income being nearly \$1,000.000 being sent abroad that middling cotton was being bought in New York at 8 cents per pound, when it was really and a murderer in a penitentiary at an hour at Greensboro, N. C. wind worth 2 or 3 cents more per pound. Chattanooga, Tenn., was ambushed Pittsburg John Ballon, the murderer. Monday unroofed three factory build-demoralized and practically runed through a police court room window the cetton market. lostances are or in New York in order to gain food

record where the quotations for future contracts 'hasis middling' quoted 'middling' from \$7.50 to \$10 years had 'middling' from \$7.50 to \$10 per bale lower than 'spot middling' could be bought-that is, the actual 'spot cotton' out of the warehouse in New

> "Therefore, the complaint of the, farmers was just and righteous. As, the commissioner of commerce and labor said in his report, there werea few who understood the nature of a contract and could possibly govern themselves so as not to sustain a serious loss, but the rank and file of the small farmers of the country who were dependent upon the local buyer for their prices were mercilessly fleeced. Thse local buyers, of course, would pay them for their 'middling' cotton according to the future quotations of 'middling' cotton the the New

"At the second session of the Sixty-

services used for the transmission of A further section of the bill of news shall be denied to any party, who does not specify the specific and that the delivery shall be acthe matter complained of above-the When the bill was considered by basis contract and the fixed differ-

Some doubt has arisen as to whether or not the federal governit. Pending certain investigations ment has the power to determine the which the department was making nature of any contract entered into under the terms of a resolution of and technically complied with, wholly Senator Smith to test the spinning within a particular State, but there values of cotton, he withheld making can be no doubt that the means of inthe report on his cotton futures bill terstate communication may be deuntil these tests had been completed. nied parties when it is demonstrated Now that these tests have been fin- that such contract is not in accord-

It is but fair to state that since the ter all the intrinsic values of the dif- introduction of the bill which this referent grades of cotton are practical- port accompanies a very startling revelation has been made by the deence is in the amount of waste, Sen- partment of agriculture, under the ator Smith has prepared the detailed term of a Senate amendment to the report which he submitted to the agricultural appropriation bill during Senate. The report, although not the last session. This amendment very lengthy, clearly sets out the appropriated \$46,000 to test the spinpractices of the cotton exchanges of ning values of the different grades of the country. Senator Smith discuss-, cotton standardized by the govern-

This has just been completed by the department of agriculture and discussing the method of fixed differ- samples of the results are available. tween the grades from "good ordistandardized by the government, is "To illustrate: Prior to January practically negligible. Hence, it apthere and sent a voluminous report to value; all of the grades above it, 14 ent grades as determined by the offi-

> It is the opinion of the committee that this bill should pass, according have heretofore fixed them between

> > "Peeper" is Killed.

Wounded in a chase by students of

grades and a lesser supply of the Ia., who claimed he peeped through lower or more undesirable grades. windows in the girls' dormitory, Run Over by Fast Train. Mistaking a limited train for a

L. tracks at Branton, Fla., Friday

Dinner to Underwood. As a tribute to the work of Oscar W. Underwood of Alabama, as Democratic leader in the House, President Wilson will give a dinner at the

Equipped with blankets and cooking utensils, 200 unemployed men

Unemployed Make Journey.

White House on March 9.

Will Pay Big Tax. One Chicago man will pay an income tax of \$42,516.68, his annual

Committed Offence to Get Food. Thomas Murphy hurled a bottle